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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed October 8, 2004, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response which expires on January 8, 2005.

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